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To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

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Entitled: *Methods and Compositions for Diagnosing and Treating Rheumatoid Arthritis*

Enclosed are:

(X) 297 pages total including 6 pages of claims; 1 page of abstract; and 198 pages of Tables (Tables 1-5).
( ) ___ sheets of drawings.
( ) an assignment of the invention to _____.
(X) an unexecuted declaration of the inventors.
( ) a certified copy of a _____ application.
( ) a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
( ) other: _____.

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| BASIC FEE | | | $740 | | $370 | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | -20= | | x $18 | | x $9 | |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | -3= | | x $84 | | x $42 | |
| MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIMS | | | $280 | | $140 | |
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